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DATA FOR COMPUTER APPLICATION REGISTRY

1. Title of the Application and Acronym(s).
2. Brief Description of the Applications.
3. Originator and/or User(s) of the Application
4. Processor(s) of the Application
5. Programs Required for Processing
6. File Size and File Storage Media

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Explanatory Notes:

1. A registry item should be prepared as soon as the application is accepted for system design.

An application may be defined as a data processing activity which is self-contained from the viewpoint of the originator. It must contain at least one unique title and acronym in a processing unit accounting system.

2. Descriptive material ought to include the general objectives of the application, the principal forms of output and Agency program(s) supported.
3. We anticipate that there may be more than one user (organizational unit) for several applications, list other users if they are few, otherwise list by directorate, Agency-wide, Community-wide.
4. Processors of the application should include those organizations with ADP equipment who regularly employ that equipment to produce output from the applications. Any back-up provisions for processing the application should be included in this item.
5. Programs should be listed by acronym, name or content. Listed with each program should be an indication of whether it was written internally or externally (or both), the programming language used, and, if written externally, the cost of acquisition and any cost for maintenance if performed externally.
6. The file entry requires basically only the file size, file storage media, and the back-up if any for the files involved in the application. If this data is organized by file, there is no need to aggregate the data for your response to the system.
7. The remaining data for the applications register will be abstracted from the periodic reports of the respective processing organizations. Thus it will be imperative that we receive such reports to permit us to maintain the file. We will be happy to -- prefer to -- return these reports as quickly as we have abstracted the relevant data for this file.